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Senator PAYNE-Dr Grimes, when did you say you thought you would be able to confirm the cost of that meeting?

Dr Grimes-I might just check for a moment with the relevant officer to give you an indication.

Apparently we are waiting on some outstanding invoices. We are not in a position to give you a precise time but what I could indicate is that we will go back and attempt to finalise that as soon as possible. But it may be a matter of some days before we could do that.

Answer:

Costs in relation to catering and functions, equipment hire and ground transport associated with staging the Council of Australian Governments meeting held in Canberra on 19-20 April 2010 totalled \$81,886.56.